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PREFACE

This monograph summarizes the viewpoint of the Communist Party, USA, on the major current issues of national and international interest. The summary statements setting forth the communist view, at the beginning of each section, are supported by quotations selected from authoritative communist publications.

The Sunday and the midweek editions of the newspaper, The Worker, and the monthly periodicals, Political Affairs and Mainstream, for July through December, 1962, were reviewed to determine the Party's position.

During the period covered by this monograph, the Communist Party, USA, in the publications reviewed, has refrained from expressing its views regarding Albania or Yugoslavia and has made no comment on the rift between Communist China and the Soviet Union. It has preferred to quote, without comment, spokesmen of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. Printed as a supplement to the December 23, 1962, issue of The Worker is the "full text" of Soviet Premier Khrushchev's report, "The Present International Situation and the Foreign Policy of the Soviet Union," wherein he sharply criticizes the Albanian leaders and forecasts Soviet-Yugoslav co-operation, without directly mentioning China in connection with either.

The supporting quotations appearing in this monograph were copied from the publications reviewed. No changes have been made to correct errors in grammar, punctuation, capitalization, spacing, or spelling. Misspellings are underlined, but no other errors are pointed out.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

A. Summary

The Communist Party, USA, proclaims over and over that it is for world peace and that the desire for war is alien to the very nature of any socialist state. By contrast, according to the Party, United States foreign policy, inspired by the ultra-Right, constantly threatens peaceful coexistence by its war-provoking actions, thereby necessitating extreme vigilance on the part of communist nations to defend themselves against possible nuclear attack. The American people, the Party says, are similarly concerned about the possibility of war; therefore, the Party urges them to demand that the Administration negotiate for disarmament and settlement of all disputed questions.

The Communist Party, USA, states that peace is imperiled by such features of United States foreign policy as threats against Cuba, neo-colonialist intrigues in Africa, paramilitary operations in Vietnam, support of the Bonn-Paris axis, arms shipments for aiding India to fight Communist China, and economic exploitation of Latin America and Canada.

Domestically, the Communist Party, USA, contends that the people's welfare is neglected under capitalism and that an alliance of Rightists is forming which will endanger peace and democracy. To

remedy these evils, the Party urges Government intervention and holds out the promise of socialism.

The Party blames big business and the ultra-Rightists for widespread unemployment, for putting profits above human welfare, and for an
imminent recession. According to the Party, labor should have a political
voice and trade-unions should support what the Left advocates for our economic
ills--a shorter workweek, trade with all countries, disarmament, and public
ownership of the means of production.

The Communist Party, USA, voices concern for the insecure status of the small farmer, because, it points out, he is either giving up his farm or is aware of his impending elimination by big farmers.

According to the communist view, although colonialism in Asia and Africa is fading, it lingers on because the major, exploiting capitalist nations co-operate to preserve it. Opposition to neocolonialist exploitation, communists claim, is possible if former colonial nations and the socialist countries form a bloc in the United Nations.

From the Party's point of view, legislation and justice are moving too slowly. The Party complains that the 87th Congress failed to pass much-needed social or civil rights legislation. It strongly advocates that, to insure the rights of the individual, the House Committee on Un-American Activities be abolished and the McCarran Act repealed.

Communists maintain that the United States, through its Armed Forces, is pursuing an aggressive, warlike policy of brinkmanship that creates international tensions. This country's readiness to use nuclear weapons and to attack Cuba, communists insist, can result in nuclear war. The alternative, it is pointed out, is to stop nuclear testing, provide for disarmament, and establish friendly relations with Cuba.

Party spokesmen claim that white supremacy is a blight on American society, and that the Negro is ready, able, and determined to gain equality but needs support from groups of labor and white Americans as well as from the President.

The Communist Party, USA, is critical of the American educational system. The Party asserts that school desegregation is making almost no progress and that dropouts deprive the Nation of needed talent. Other critical observations are that good teachers have been forced out of the profession by the McCarthyite hysteria and that universities are adversely affected by the cold war.

Art and artists in the United States are suppressed by capitalism, according to communist critics. They further maintain that this country's progress in science is slowed by the antiquated system of private enterprise while the Soviet Union, under socialism, forges ahead. It is also alleged

that this Nation's so-called Christian tradition is not so firmly founded as Americans have been led to believe.

Compared with the high regard shown in socialist countries for the contributions of women, the status of women in the United States is considered by the communists to be woeful. They manifest praise for the American women who are independently striving for peace.

American youth is lauded by the Communist Party, USA, for its efforts to end the cold war. The Party is portrayed as being in complete sympathy with the problems of youth and the steps youth is taking to solve them.

B. Conclusions

1. In the field of foreign affairs, the Communist Party, USA, may be expected to continue to condemn the foreign policy of the United States. The Party's position echoes the line of the Soviet Union, that peace is of paramount importance and that the desire for war is contrary to the true nature of a socialist state. Party spokesmen aim to discredit United States prestige and influence by endeavoring to demonstrate that plotting by Rightists, monopolists, and imperialists causes our foreign policy to be channeled into a course leading to aggression. tension, and ultimate destruction. They will demand that the United States cease its nuclear tests and its "undemocratic intervention" throughout the world and negotiate with the Soviet Union to bring about peaceful coexistence. The Communist Party, USA, looks toward the Soviet Union in taking a position on the differences and division existing between the Soviet Union and Communist China.

- 2. Domestically, the Communist Party, USA, will try to build organized opposition to military preparedness and so-called Rightist activities. It will endeavor to exploit segregation issues. It will also attempt to persuade the American people that their needs and rights are not respected and will be truly recognized only when socialism is achieved in the United States.
- 3. Claiming a natural kinship with labor, the Communist Party, USA, will seek to strengthen its identification with labor by advocating a shorter workweek, more jobs, trade with all countries, relationship with the Left, and organization to gain for labor a political voice. The Party will continue to charge that our economic ills are due to the manner in which the Government, in its efforts to buttress capitalism, favors big business.
- 4. The Communist Party, USA, will strive to convince the small farmers that their concern about insecurity could be minimized if they, as a group, would join other dissatisfied groups to form a solid front of protest.
- 5. A gain for socialism is seen by the Communist Party, USA, in the approaching termination of colonialism in Asia and Africa and the possibility of a so-called anti-imperialist majority in the United Nations.
- 6. The Communist Party, USA, will do its utmost to effect the abolition of the House Committee on Un-American Activities and the repeal of the McCarran Act.
- 7. The Communist Party, USA, will continue to identify itself with Negroes and certain other minority groups in their struggle for equal rights.
- 8. The Communist Party, USA, will work tirelessly to persuade youth that it is being victimized by problems arising from the cold war and that the solution is to work with the Party, whose program, it is claimed, coincides with the interests of youth.

I. FOREIGN POLICY

- 1. The aggressive foreign policy of the United States heightens the war danger, compelling peace-loving nations to exercise extreme vigilance.
- 2. The American people demand that the Kennedy Administration change its foreign policy provoking war to a policy based on peaceful coexistence.
- 3. The Alliance for Progress, which is actually a plan to keep Latin America subservient to Washington's foreign policy and Wall Street monopolies, stands in vivid contrast to the good neighborliness of the socialist countries.
- 4. The increasing economic power of France and Germany, together with their acquisition of nuclear weapons, constitutes a serious threat to peace.
- 5. Although Communist China desires and seeks peace with India, the supplying of American arms to India will serve to prolong the military struggle between these two Asian countries.
- 6. Washington misleads the American people into thinking that the war in Vietnam, actually an undemocratic American intervention, is being won by the United States.
- 7. The economic exploitation of Canada by the United States is likely to be challenged by an awakening Canadian people.
- 8. The United States should abandon its policy of international lawlessness with respect to Cuba, normalize its relations with Cuba, and restore peace in the Caribbean.

SUPPORTING QUOTATIONS

1. Aggressive Policy Sharpens War Danger

"The bomb tests in the Pacific have entered a phase that constitutes a clear and present danger to all the earth's people and perils space exploration.

"Our national interest as well as the survival of humanity obligates the American people to accelerate all efforts to halt these tests and to demand that Washington negotiate a binding pact with the Soviet Union and other powers for permanently ending the arms race, for general and total disarmament."

The Worker, July 15, 1962, p. 3.

"From preparations for military assault upon little Cuba, to para-military operations in Viet Nam and neo-colonialist intrigues in Africa, the aggressive nature of U.S. foreign policy is sharpening the war danger."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, September 25, 1962, p. 3.

'Izvestia, writing about the tax decision, notes President Kennedy's plan to call up 150,000 more armed men, and Defense Secretary Robert McNamara's talk of using nuclear weapons. It points to the swelling American arms budgets, the interventionist threats against Cuba, the 'bellicose hysterics of U.S. reactionaries,' the U.S. nuclear tests, the 'spy satellites,' the U-2 flights, and the many naval and air bases near the Soviet border, and it stresses the impending military alliance of West Germany and France.

"All these facts,' adds Izvestia, 'impel the peace-loving nations and of course the Soviet people to be vigilant and take necessary measures for the defense of their country.'"

The Worker, Midweek Edition, October 2, 1962, p. 8.

"...it was the ultra-Right, the Pentagon warmongers and their friends in Washington, who sought to take advantage of the artificially promoted Cuban, crisis to provoke a military confrontation with the Soviet Union...

"Luckily, the Soviet Union, aware of its responsibility for world peace, refused to be provoked....

"But it must be realized that this is the seventeenth time Washington has pushed the world to the brink of disaster since the Truman administration started the cold war in 1946-1947."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, October 30, 1962, p. 1.

2. Cold War Policies Must Be Reversed

"... President Kennedy must not be permitted for a single moment to forget that the people demand that he put an end to the war provocations in Vietnam, Cuba, Berlin, Taiwan and that he execute the turn toward peace that the nation requires and the world demands."

The Worker, July 22, 1962, p. 3.

"The American people must understand what were the 'burdens' of British imperialism; they must understand what an analogous course has meant and will mean for our country in the twentieth century. The greatness

of the United States lies in the path of liberation, of human freedom, of economic well-being, of moral purification. That is the road of true national interest. At this moment in history, this means, specifically and precisely, U.S. withdrawal from Southeast Asia, and American commitment to support there a policy of genuine neutrality, independence and democratic society."

Herbert Aptheker, "Ideas in Our Time," Political Affairs, July, 1962, p. 35.

'Gus Hall calls for an immediate reversal of the cold-war policies; such reversal would relieve the American people and the world of the nightmare of possible nuclear-doom, it would enormously lift living standards, reduce taxes, and provide billions of dollars for socially-constructive programs and needs. Such reversal would align our nation not with, but against colonialism; it would make our nation a leader, not an obstacle, in the drive for general and total disarmament."

Herbert Aptheker, "End the Cold War!" Political Affairs, August, 1962, p. 2.

"Recent events around Cuba have demonstrated with more than ordinary vividness, to the world's people and not least the people of the United States, that so long as the Cold War and the armaments race continue the danger of nuclear war remains and intensifies. These events also have demonstrated that ordinary people in all walks of life must concern themselves with questions of foreign policy, and take a hand in determining our country's foreign affairs. The people must, by their organized efforts, press for the abandonment of the Cold War and preparations for war, and for a policy of peaceful co-existence and the settlement of differences through negotiations."

Jack Stachel, "American Foreign Policy and the Cold War," Political Affairs, December, 1962, p. 59.

3. Alliance for Progress is Instrument of Exploitation

"The Kennedy administration last week moved with alarming and unprecedented swiftness to punish the Army junta and the people of Peru for refusing to approve the fraudulent 'election' of Haya de la Torre as president."

"The action made it clear that the Alliance for Progress would be used for supporting or bringing to power regimes in Latin America that would be subservient to Washington."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, July 24, 1962, p. 2.

of Latin America to defend their democratic and trade-union liberties and to resist a policy stemming from the so-called Alliance for Progress of President Kennedy, which aims only to keep in chains the workers, peasants and all working people in the Latin American countries by strangling their fight for thorough and complete national liberation."

Jose Rodrigo, "Mass Struggles in Latin America," Political Affairs, August, 1962, p. 36.

"The objectives of the Alliance for Progress were not only to dampen the drive for democracy and to bring about subservience to Wall Street, it was also aimed at erecting a wall against competition by the European Common Market headed by West Germany's monopolists and neo-Nazis."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, September 11, 1962, p. 3.

"OBSERVERS are asking whether all the screaming in Washington about the 'military menace' of the fishing port to be built by the Soviet Union for Cuba is not a cover-up for the fear by Wall Street and Washington that the example of Soviet economic aid may not prove attractive to many other Latin American nations.

"The aim of this smokescreen, according to these observers, is to scare off the Latin American peoples from taking a good look at what the socialist countries offer in good neighborliness..."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, October 2, 1962, p. 3.

4. Bonn-Paris Axis Menaces Peace

"...the Kennedy Administration is surrendering control of nuclear weapons in Western Europe to the trigger-happy megalomaniac, French President DeGaulle, and the West German neo-Nazis and monopolists....

"... as the result of their great increase in economic power, DeGaulle and Bonn's Chancellor Adenauer were challenging U.S. control of NATO* and demanding the right to pull the nuclear trigger if they thought they should.

"The Worker...emphasized the danger of President Kennedy's surrender to these war-seeking madmen as the result of his desire to get Britain into the European Common Market and to get West Germany to lessen its economic aggression against American industry."

The Worker, July 1, 1962, p. 2.

*North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

"... As long as the West German militarists hold the torch with which to explode the powder keg that is West Berlin, world peace is in danger. That is the long and short of the Berlin issue."

The Worker, September 2, 1962, p. 11.

"The ultras in the United States, it is clear, want to have a government in Washington that will join up with the new Bonn-Paris axis in an all-out drive to prevent any relaxation of international tension. Adenauer, de Gaulle and the Barry Goldwaters—an alliance sinister enough that it should make even the most complacent do some serious reflecting on the danger threatening peace."

The Worker, October 14, 1962, p. 8.

5. China Desires Peace

"THE CENTRAL Committee of the Chinese Communist Party sent a message thanking the Communist Party of the U.S. for its congratulatory telegram...The message...said:

"We were happy to receive your fraternal greetings on the occasion of the thirteenth anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China. We extend our sincere thanks and wish you further achievements in the work of uniting the working people of the U.S., promoting friendship between the peoples of China and the U.S. and safeguarding world peace."

The Worker, October 21, 1962, p. 1.

"The Soviet Union has made another earnest appeal for peace on the India-China border."

"The appeal again emphasizes the Soviet Union's close bonds with Socialist China. The Chinese people, it says, are dedicating their efforts to constructive labor....The desire for war is alien to the very nature of a Socialist State."

The Worker, November 11, 1962, p. 3. "Washington last week continued the export of tactical weapons to the Indian military forces engaged with the Chinese in a bloody conflict over disputed borders in the Himalayas....

"The arms shipments by Washington to India can only help Wall Street and its cousins in Britain and West Germany, who will be the main beneficiaries of a protracted military struggle between China and India...."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, November 13, 1962, p. 1.

"All who have a regard for the peace of the world welcome the initiative of the Government of the People's Republic of China in unilaterally effecting a cease-fire and pulling back its troops from the disputed territory which India claims..."

The Worker, December 2, 1962, p. 3.

6. People Deceived by War in Vietnam

"...reports from South Vietnam give the lie to Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara's boast that 'the Vietnamese are beginning to hit the Vietcong where it hurts the most—in winning the people to the side of the government.'

"After meeting in Honolulu with U.S. officials based in Saigon, McNamara apparently found it necessary to issue such a statement to placate the American people...The aim appears to be to make the American people believe it is a war for democracy against communism."

"While top officials in Washington are attempting to put an optimistic face on the situation, U.S. officials in South Vietnam are gloomy as to the prospects for a Washington victory in the dirty war, no matter how long it lasts. They give the Pentagon-led Ngo Dinh Diem troops a much less than 50 percent chance to win."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, July 31, 1962, p. 2.

"BILLIONS of dollars have been poured into South Vietnam..."

"...Only a handful of the favored few, closely associated with the ruling family, get their hands on the American dollars that have come into the country from the American government, and then almost immediately have left, via* American corporations, which live a parasitic life in the country...."

"To be true to our own past, to our own sacrifices, to our own heroes-every American will demand that we get out of South Vietnam, end the war there, and let its people, who have suffered so long, so heroically, so tragically, set up their own way of life, free of all oppression."

Phillip Bonosky, "Vietnam: The Untold Story,"

Mainstream, July, 1962, pp. 60, 62.

"THE CRUEL and stupid and utterly anti-democratic intervention by the United States Government in South Vietnam has been opposed by the Worker since it began in 1958..."

> The Worker, August 12, 1962, p. 8.

* Underlined portion italicized in the original.

7. Canada Challenging United States Monopolists

"...U.S. dollars are now being withdrawn from Canada.

"The chickens of economic 'integration' with the U.S. are coming home to roost.... The post-war honeymoon is well-nigh over and Uncle Sam can be depended on now to reveal himself to Canada, not as the benevolent relative, but as a harsh and vindictive old sinner."

"One thing is certain: the U.S. government and the people of the U.S.A. do not have to the north a passive and supine people as their neighbor and ally. They have an 'ornery' folk 'up there,' who are challenging the Canadian bourgeois policies of capitulation to the power of U.S. monopoly and addiction to NATO and the cold war. This 'orneriness,' which can be said to be a national characteristic, more than peeped through the curtain in the June election, and it will likely take the center of the stage before many more millions of U.S. profits have been taken out of the hides of the Canadian people."

Leslie Morris, "The Recent Canadian Elections," Political Affairs, August, 1962, pp. 31, 32.

"CANADA IS A nation which has been stunted ever since its birth by outside domination and British colonialists... But the British were pikers at exploitation, as Wall Street imperialism has demonstrated so well ever since the British monopolists were weakened by World Wars I and II."

"'Anatomy of Big Business' shows how the leading Canadian financiers, for a small share of the swag, joined with government officials in clearing the way for Wall Street imperialism to carry through its stupendous robbery of the Canadian people.

"This book, while addressed primarily to Canadian, is worth the reading of every thoughtful American."

> The Worker, November 4, 1962, p. 6.

8. United States Should Normalize Relations with Cuba

"The truth is that it is our government and no other that is guilty of pursuing a policy of arrant lawlessness in respect to Cuba. This policy is a policy that asserts the right of Washington to exempt herself from all norms of international law and the sovereign rights of nations in regard to her relations with Cuba...."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, November 6, 1962, p. 2.

"THE TRUE NATIONAL interests of our country no less than those of the Republic of Cuba would be served by a prompt and positive response to the program set forth by Premier Fidel Castro for restoring genuine peace in the Caribbeans and normalizing relations between Cuba and the U.S...."

The Worker, December 2, 1962, p. 3.

"Why can't we stop this...finagling? The Kennedy administration should stop kidding itself. It is not going to be able to bring to its knees independent Cuba, which is supported by all freedom-loving people, and aided by all the countries who value their own freedom."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, December 18, 1962, p. 2.

II. DOMESTIC ISSUES

- 1. Candidates for public office should be forced to take a stand openly on issues directly affecting the people's welfare.
- 2. "Voluntary" sterilization is a fascistlike scheme advocated by the rich to eliminate the poor.
- 3. Disarmament would speedily and noticeably improve the standard of living of the American people.
- 4. The obvious signs of decay that characterize capitalism show the validity of the historic law that the old system will be replaced by socialism.
- 5. An alliance of Rightist elements that will endanger peace and democracy is in the process of forming in this country.
- 6. The Meredith case in Mississippi is graphic proof that the Federal Government must take stronger and continuing measures to end racism and segregation.

SUPPORTING QUOTATIONS

1. Political Candidates Evade Issues Facing People

"...the Cold-War policies of the last three Presidents have brought decline...."

Herbert Aptheker, "End the Cold War!" Political Affairs, August, 1962, p. 1.

"The Unions can force the real issues facing the people into the election campaign, and should demand committments from candidates as to where they stand and what they propose to do about: Jobs, Housing, Peace and Disarmament, Equal Rights For the Negro People, Lower taxes for low income groups etc."

The Worker,
September 9, 1962, p. 9.

"... The entire membership of the House, a third of the Senate and numerous governorships are up for election, Nov. 6.

"Most voters have so far displayed a disturbing lethargy regarding the candidates of both major parties. With the issues of peace, Joblessness, insecurity in their old age and violation of their civil rights pressing hard upon them the masses of the people up till now have not been electrified into electoral action by the evasions of the candidates and their party leaders."

The Worker, October 21, 1962, p. 1.

2. Sterilization of Poor Constitutes Genocide

"In Warrenton, Va., just 45 miles from Washington, head-quarters of the Voice of America and capitol of the 'Free World,' physicians of the moral stripe and social-political mentality of Hitler's Butchers of Buchenwald' are each week committing such crimes against humanity as the Nazi beasts Streicher and Eichmann were hung for. They are practicing the fascist doctrine of infanticide against the women of impoverished families as a beastly act of terror and intimidation against those on Welfare rolls, and as a long-term deliberately programmed scheme to eliminate the 'undesirable' Negro poor from the population of the future generation so that the wealthy may not have to pay taxes for their upkeep when there would be no work for them. Yes, this too is the United States of America in 1962."

The Worker, September 16, 1962, p. 1. "The Malthusian theory of permanent overpopulation has been popping up frequently in our country of late. Such a theory rears its ugly head only in a society in which the rich feel that the problems of the poor are making the poor unmanageable. The answer of the wealthy is not to solve the problems but to cut down the population."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, September 18, 1962, p. 7.

"DETROIT -- A savage proposal that would commit genocide against the unborn children of the poor was advocated here in a speech by Dr. Curtis Wood, Jr., who called for 'voluntary' sterilization to combat what he called 'the population explosion.'"

"What's in the wind here is the start of a "voluntary" campaign aimed at mothers on ADC* to get them to accept sterilization, as one means to cut back ADC expenditures, which already have seen allotments cut from \$5 to \$99 for some families."

> The Worker, October 7, 1962, p. 4.

3. Wasteful Expenditures on Arms and Shelters

"...disarmament would bring about a rapid and sharp improvement in living standards of American working people."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, July 17, 1962, p. 5.

* Aid to Dependent Children.

"... Above all youth needs to exert every effort to help end the Cold War which is the chief immediate cause of youth's problems."

Daniel Rubin, "Youth and America's Future," Political Affairs, October, 1962, p. 7.

"Saturday was a busy day, with the Student Peace Union holding a demonstration at 1 p.m. in the UN Plaza, followed by the... Fair Play for Cuba demonstration...attended by over 1,000, primarily youths. At the same time,... Advance Youth Organization, Burning Issues and the Student Peace Union sent delegations to Washington to demonstrate in front of the White House. The 2,000 peace demonstrators were counter-picketed by about 300 members of the right-wing Young Americans for Freedom..."

"The fight for peace is far from over...We should learn...to fight for peace with more intensity and determination and to build our campus... peace organizations."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, November 6, 1962, p. 3.

3. Youth Wants Opportunity To Vote

"...The magnificent direct action fights...would be greatly strengthened through the more active participation of youth on the electoral front. Youth should never forget that the terror it has experienced and which continues as it fights for equality of opportunity, could be ended instantaneously if the Government would respond in a forthright manner to their demands."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, August 28, 1962, p. 6.

"INCREASING NUMBERS of young people are acting positively on the vital issues which face our nation....

"...there are few opportunities for youth to translate their demands into electoral activity.... The time has come for an all out campaign to give 18 year olds the chance to vote. This is a vital step in giving youth a meaningful political voice...."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, October 2, 1962, p. 4.

4. Growing Communist Influence among Youth

"In the mass movements, the most important and most active contingent are the youth. They are the spark and the driving force in the struggle for civil liberties, in the drive for peace, in the Negro people's movement, in the struggle against the ultra-Right. Symbolic of this, and completely without precedent, is the student demand to hear Communist spokesmen. It is of such magnitude that no force is able to ignore it...."

The Worker, July 15, 1962, p. 6.

"... one of the most important features of political reality today in our country is the mass dissatisfaction of its young generation with the old conditions and morality...."

"...Communists orient themselves on the future of the working class and of society, on the long-term interests of workers and mankind. They are activists and militants, exhibiting the highest morality and self-sacrifice. Their program represents the present and future interests of youth. That is why Communists consider that they have much to offer to youth and strive to make consciousness of youth and their problems an all-pervasive thing in their ranks."

"...The influence of Communists among youth has grown to some extent. Now, many students consider the CP a legitimate and necessary participant in the great debate on communism and our country's objectives."

"Communists have been taking a number of steps to increase their influence among youth. They proceed from the conclusion that improving drastically the size and quality of the Communist youth is essential for influencing the mass democratic youth movement..."

Daniel Rubin, "Youth and America's Future," Political Affairs, October, 1962, pp. 2, 4, 10.

5. Unselfishness of Soviet Youth

"... socialism in the Soviet Union has indeed produced a generation of young people in whom a dominant characteristic is unselfishness. This, let it be said, is among the greatest, most revolutionary achievements in the long life of mankind."

The Worker, July 1, 1962, p. 11.

"...Soviet young people came here to teach our peasants."

"...what capitalist country could send abroad 300 young people with such good training and discipline as you have displayed, capable of such selflessness in work and such keen enthusiasm as you have shown?

"No capitalist country could have done that.

"But the socialist country, the Soviet Union, can find not hundreds, but thousands,...millions of such young people as you..."

"It is natural that the society which has abolished the exploitation of man by man has given birth to a new youth, a new man."

Fidel Castro, "A Speech to Soviet Technicians," Political Affairs, November, 1962, pp. 32, 34.

"SOME WEEKS ago The Worker reported the flop in the bombproof shelter caper... Now a new scheme has arisen. One hundred engineers have just wrapped up a study of potential fall out shelters in Detroit and say they found 6,000 buildings that will do. The firm that did the survey got one million dollars from the federal government for telling them what existing structures could be used for public shelters...."

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The Worker, July 22, 1962, p. 4.

"It is difficult to imagine, but...expenditure during nine years of 'cold war' totals \$361.6 billions, or \$75 billion more than the nation spent on World War II from July 1941 to June 1946. And this is money spent not in defense, not to improve the conditions of the people, but to manufacture materials of death, that, if they are ever used, will devastate the world and kill almost all of us."

"This is the real source of the stupendous tax burden most of us are now forced to bear. We are also forced to sacrifice schools, hospitals, medical care and all other social needs on the altar of the god of war."

"The healthiest solution to the tax problem is total and general disarmament... A first step in this direction... could be a substantial reduction this coming year in expenditures for armaments."

The Worker, December 9, 1962, p. 3.

4. Capitalism Will Be Replaced by Socialism

"... Capitalism is like an old three standing in the middle of the highway of our people's progress. As we help the masses to trim away its

most offending branches, let us be ever mindful that this is prelude and preparatory to felling this hoary barrier to our nation's progress."

"...Alongside of our better work in advancing the people's struggles for their daily needs, we must, with greater confidence in a favorable reception than ever before, place before our class and the Negro people and the youth and all who suffer distress under the yoke of the monopolists, the historic alternative of the peoples and nations who live in our epoch—socialism, communism."

The Worker, July 1, 1962, p. 3.

"...There is not a single progressive social measure proposed in our country today which is not identified with or supported by the Communist Party...."

The Worker, July 1, 1962, p. 7.

"THE ROOT CAUSE for our economic difficulties, including recessions and depressions, is capitalism..."

The Worker, July 15, 1962, p. 3.

"Capitalism achieved its greatest development in the U.S. but by the turn of the century it had begun to go downhill; it had begun to feed on itself. This process of parasitism and decay has now become the dominant characteristic of the system."

"... Capitalism has prepared the soil for socialism to take root, and socialism will take root and grow in exact measure as the soil is prepared to receive it. It is a historic law... that each system through its successes and failures prepares the way for the growth of the new system."

The Worker, October 21, 1962, p. 10.

"...the American people will come to Socialism in their own way,...Socialism can't be imported or enforced,...it can be peacefully established through constitutional measures when the great masses of people desire that change."

The Worker, December 9, 1962, p. 4.

5. Rightist Conspiracy Forming

"... everywhere the pattern is basically the same: a terror drive by the most backward and degenerate elements under slogans of anti-Communism, anti-Semitism, racism and, of course, anti-labor."

"...The Barnetts and Eastlands were conspiring to overthrow the authority of the U.S. by force and violence while people looked the other way. The entire pattern of the current rightist violence throughout the world shows who really resorts to force and terror and whom the red-baiting technique really serves."

> The Worker, October 14, 1962, p. 5.

"... an alliance of the most rabid, fanatical, fascist, ultraright, racist, militarist, and anti-democratic elements is in the making..."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, October 23, 1962, p. 1.

"The fullest mobilization of the electorate throughout the country is required to bar the road to the ultra-Right plotters who would place their candidates in a better position to seize open control of Congress and the White House in 1964.

"The common interests which together the working people of our land, the Negro masses and all forces for peace, all emphasize the importance of registering a record vote on Nov. 6 against the most rabid war forces and candidates backed by the ultra-Right...."

> The Worker, November 4, 1962, p. 3.

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6. Segregation Must Be Ended

"When Meredith, bravest of the brave, took the cross of democracy and the Constitutional liberties of us all upon his manly shoulders and marched onto the campus to register at the University of Mississippi, he set in motion a complex of social forces which can come to rest only with eradication of the racist-segregation system."

"The time is at hand for the President to issue the longdeferred executive order to cancel out all jimcrow laws in the Southern states and to protect the Negro people in the total exercise of their equality of rights." "The federal government must move in on... seditious forces, arrest their leaders and smash their organization. But the government must go behind these White Council leaders and find out what oil billionaires, what industrialists, what bankers, what plantation owners have provided the money and the ultimate dictation to this invisible government, which has poisoned the white people of the South with divisive white-supremacist ideology and brutalized them with incitement to violence. It's about time the American people be permitted to learn who are paying for the racist propaganda of Southern newspapers, radio and television; who are subsidizing the anti-American, anti-human pulpit-pounders; who use their control of the schools to corrupt the minds of Southern youth."

The Worker, October 7, 1962, pp. 1, 3.

"...the Kennedy administration was responding only to the mass pressure of an indignant American people when he belatedly ordered Federal troops into Oxford...."

"It should be clear to anyone that integration of the Negro people in Mississippi will take much more than entrance of one brave Negro into a university. If it took hundreds of federal marshals and tens of thousands of federal troops to insure the entrance of this one Negro into a school, is it not logical to assume that federal protection on an even larger scale will be needed as the Negro people of Mississippi seek the rights guaranteed to them by the Constitution.

"Since this is so, it is clear that the masses of the people will have to show President Kennedy and his brother Bob that they want continuing and increasing moves by the national government to end segregation, south and north..."

The Worker, October 14, 1962, p. 3.

III. LABOR AND INDUSTRY

- Monopoly-first policies are causing mounting unemployment leading to another recession. To stimulate the Nation's economic growth, there should be trade with all countries—including socialist, newly independent, and Latin-American.
- 2. America's foreign trade is potentially threatened by its military preparations and the European Common Market.
- 3. Private enterprise under capitalism puts profits above human welfare; public ownership under capitalism would improve conditions, but socialism would be a cure.
- 4. Most trade-unions, instead of campaigning for a shorter workweek, organizing the unorganized, achieving world trade-union unity, and maintaining relations with the Left, are subordinating the interests of the workers to those of the monopolists.
- 5. A shorter workweek is necessary if conditions for the worker are to be bettered.
- 6. Big business, growing at the workers' expense, backs the ultra-Right and receives increasing protection from the Government.
- 7. Labor must mobilize its own forces for political action to meet its needs.

SUPPORTING QUOTATIONS

1. Faltering Economy Caused by Monopolists

"THE MORE than five million permanently unemployed begins

to appear as a minimum low for the army of victims of the monopoly-first policies here in the U.S.A...."

"For those who work the fear of layoff has become a permanent life-time companion. For the American who does not have a job, whether because of layoff, automation, runaway shop, or as a youth just entering the labor market, the prospect of a job has become hopelessly bleak."

"... They get war orders on the fraudulent claim of making new jobs and on false war propaganda. Then the profits are used for overseas investments which only add to the unemployment at home...."

The Worker, July 1, 1962, p. 8.

"...the country is heading towards post-war recession No. 5....

"Unemployment is climbing again after an upward climb in employment that was the shortest of all previous recoveries."

The Worker, July 29, 1962, p. 10.

"The rulers of America are trying with desperate means to build another story onto their economic house of cards, to slow down the loss of ground in economic competition with socialism and with capitalist rivals. The powers that be want to get a new stock market boom going—perhaps by the beginning of 1963.

"Inevitably the material basis for such a boom is a higher rate of exploitation of labor and curtailment of the rights of the people. While swindlers are permitted to roam, anti-strike injunctions and labor leader prosecutions are a dime a dozen. While speculation is encouraged and business taxes are cut, the Government does nothing to relieve the recession-level of millions of unemployed, nor to stem the accelerated slashing away at jobs through mergers, automation, and the runaway shop."

The Worker,
August 5, 1962, p. 5.

"An end to the cold war would... open up new channels of trade with nations in which there is an enormous market for the goods produced by the skill and ingenuity of the workers, scientists, and technicians in our country. Trade with the socialist countries, with the new independent countries of Asia and Africa, with the peoples of Latin-America on a truly good neighbor policy, all such trade could provide for a great exchange of goods to the mutual benefit of all."

Jack Stachel, "The Battle for the Shorter Work Week," Political Affairs, September, 1962, p. 8.

2. Foreign Trade Threatened by Militarism and Common Market

"Hall* characterized the European Common Market as a potential threat to American commerce and declared 'many Americans believe only an expansion of trade with all countries can establish conditions for peaceful coexistence and economic growth."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, July 17, 1962, p. 5.

* Martin Hall, an American delegate to the World Conference for General Disarmament and Peace.

"FEAR of economic stagnation and crisis contributes to Washington's international provocations. The Administration believes in militarism as an economic tool, and may resort to it, reckless as that would be in the present supercharged atmosphere."

"...a rounded labor program is required.

"A major ingredient of such a program is suggested by the scheduled UN discussion of an international trade conference, proposed by Soviet Foreign Minister Gromyko..."

The Worker, October 14, 1962, p. 5.

"MILITARIZED and cut off from the socialist world, U.S. foreign trade does poorly...."

The Worker, November 4, 1962, p. 5.

3. Socialism Will Cure Economic Ills

"THE TRANSPORTATION industry is an extreme example of the mortal illness of capitalism...."

"... Full solution of transportation industry problems, as of all other economic ills, cannot be achieved without socialism. But public ownership, even within capitalism, can be a framework for limited progress."

The Worker, July 1, 1962, p. 6. "... capitalist morality puts profits above human life. The lives of millions of our fellow Americans are being destroyed for the profits of the biggest monopolies...."

The Worker, August 19, 1962, p. 6.

"...The insatiable lust of the trusts for profits threatens the welfare of the people."

Herbert Aptheker, "End the Cold War!" Political Affairs, August, 1962, p. 2.

"Robbery of public wealth for private advantage is not new to our country. The development of the railroads, mining, oil fields, is one of extortion and bribery for the enriching of a small group of exploiters. Congress and state legislatures were bribed and laws beneficial to the monopolists placed on the statute books. But all this is 'small potatoes' compared to the giveaway of today. We no longer deal in mere millions—what is involved here is the billions initially invested by the Government but now bearing the stamp 'Private property.' This is the story of Telstar."

"...In all fields from food to steel, from transportation to building construction,...monopolies hold a grip which squeezes the people for greater profits."

The Worker, September 2, 1962, p. 7.

4. Unions Losing Ties with Workers

"Unfortunately, most unions are holding tight to their funds and are giving more attention to ways to increase treasuries than to organizing the unorganized....There is a rapid rise in investment of union funds in common stocks....The effect of such trend is to tie up union funds and to limit their availability for basic union activities...."

The Worker, July 15, 1962, p. 5.

"There can be no meaningful improvement of the present conditions of insecurity without a 30 or 35 hour work week...."

"...Trade unions must find the path to closer ties, so that the workers of one country cannot be used as a club over the others. This will not become effective unless the Lovestone-Meany-Brown-Dubinsky-CIA conspiracy against world trade union unity is smashed."

The Worker, July 15, 1962, p. 8.

"... The absence of basic progress for a shorter work-day during recent years is a reflection of the weakness of the trade-union movement, whose leadership for the most part abandoned those policies, and relations with the Left, that made possible the historic advance of the thirties and adopted instead policies of cold war and anticommunism, which in essence means the subordination of the interests of the workers to those of the big monopolies."

Jack Stachel, "The Battle for the Shorter Work Week," Political Affairs, September, 1962, p. 5.

"The tactic of drawing unions into the snare of a government study or a government-named arbitrator is becoming widely used as suckerbait. If the labor movement continues to fall for this sucker game it will be used as a 'solution' for the problems arising from automation and other new technology and will become a substitute for the shorter workweek demand of the AFL-CIO.*"

The Worker, October 21, 1962, p. 5.

5. Shorter Workweek Needed

"Following is the Anti-Depression Program released last week by Gus Hall."

"1. ...a 30-hour week with increased weekly pay...."

The Worker, July 15, 1962, p. 3.

"A 'basic' and 'fundamental' change would come only if the profit system were abolished and the relationship is between producer and publicly owned and managed industries and institutions."

"The shorter workweek, under present circumstances is no doubt an advance goal, although it would not bring a 'fundamental' change. ... "

The Worker, September 2, 1962, p. 11.

* American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations.

"The immediate source explaining the urgency with which the workers view the struggle for the shorter work-day is the mass unemployment and the repeated depressions coming ever more frequently, with each succeeding one leaving more chronically unemployed. To a considerable extent, this results from the accelerated process of automation. But the need for the shorter work-day and work-week must also be viewed as part of the struggle for improved and better conditions, for progress and advance which has been the objective of the labor movement from its beginning.*"

"The struggle for the shorter work-week has to go hand in hand with that for full employment, a minimum annual wage and for increasing the rate of growth of the economy. This in turn requires a tax policy which removes the present unbearable burden from the low income groups and places it on the very rich. It requires that the war economy and the burden of huge armaments be replaced by useful projects that will solve the acute questions of housing, medical care, education, transportation, recreation, etc., while at the same time providing employment at decent wages..."

Jack Stachel, "The Battle for the Shorter Work Week," Political Affairs, September, 1962, pp. 4, 6.

6. Big Business Dominant

"Big business continues to increase speedup, continues to raise labor productivity, continues to increase the already high cost of living—and as a result continues to amass ever greater fortunes. Permanent mass unemployment as a result of automation and other factors becomes ever more acute...."

The Worker, July 15, 1962, p. 8.

* Underlined portion italicized in the original.

"AMONG THE BACKERS of the Ultra Right are not only the top executives of Big Business but also their junior executives. These, like good organization men, troop loyally from 'seminar' to 'seminar' until 'anti-Communism' is, as one bright young fellow from Metropolitan Life Insurance told me, 'coming out of our ears.'"

The Worker, September 9, 1962, p. 4.

"...the economic activities of the modern capitalist state aim to consolidate the domination of big business....the trusts receive more and more gigantic subsidies and giveaways....

"The recent new pronouncements of labor policy by the Kennedy Administration--providing for what amounts to compulsory arbitration by government appointed agencies in labor disputes, freezing wages to set productivity formula, and increased use of Taft-Hartley injunctions by the government--these are further evidence of the role of monopolies in government."

Irving Potash, "Unemployment in the United States," Political Affairs, October, 1962, p. 55.

"... when industrial corporations are up against new developments and the choice of either making a change or facing loss to competitors, they take it out on the workers they employ."

"IN FACE of...the increasing pressure for the shorter workweek, big business propaganda is still handing out the line that labor displacement technology makes for more jobs in the long run...."

The Worker, December 2, 1962, p. 5.

7. Labor Needs Political Voice

"LABOR WILL win only if its own forces are mobilized to improve the conditions of labor, with taxes prominent in its program. In these days of big government much rides on the tax question. It is eminently worth while for labor to organize a mass lobby to descend on Washington and stay there until the issue is resolved its way. And that's the only way labor can win."

The Worker, August 12, 1962, p. 5.

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"The need of the moment still is an independent party of labor which meets the needs of the workers."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, August 14, 1962, p. 6.

"Seeking to maintain maximum profits at the expense of workers' living standards, monopoly is more and more pressing the government into active resistance against 'labor's demands."

"At this juncture the struggle of the Negro people in the South for full voting and electoral rights is of enormous political significance. It is a parallel current with labor's striving for independent political action, and when these two movements merge, the energy thus set loose will change the United States...."

"... Now is not the time to shy away from independent political action."

"...It is becoming increasingly clear that labor would be in a much better position to win...objectives if it had its own political apparatus..."

Frank Hester, "Ohio Labor and Political Action," Political Affairs,
November, 1962, pp. 19, 20.

IV. AGRICULTURE

- 1. All over the country, small farmers are leaving the farm to seek better paying city jobs.
- 2. Farmers protest the recommendation of the Committee for Economic Development for elimination of 2,000,000 farmers, which would benefit only the big agribusiness units.

SUPPORTING QUOTATIONS

1. Small Farmers Leaving for City Jobs

"...the Philadelphia milk marketing area reported that 814 dairy farmers in that section had dropped out of the business from mid-1961 to mid-1962. The dropouts are in line with the exodus all over the country of small farmers leaving to seek better paying jobs in the cities."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, August 21, 1962, p. 3.

2. Plan for Displacing 2,000,000 Farmers

"...the Committee for Economic Development's Five Year Plan for removing 2,000,000 from the land...."

"...does not ask industry to adapt itself to the absorption of the 2 million to-be-displaced farm people, many of them in their 50's and 60's. It does not recommend an effective comprehensive social security and old-age assistance program for people in the land. It does not even suggest that the market for farm products at home should be widened by narrowing the ever-widening farm-to-market price spreads and abroad by lifting restrictions on the sale to socialist countries, including the embargo on China. Instead of the 'greatest good of the greatest number,' the CED callously demands that in agriculture the many be sacrificed for the benefit of the few, the big agribusiness units."

The Worker, August 12, 1962, pp. 5, 8.

"TWENTY THOUSAND farmers overflowed the 15,000-capacity Veterans Memorial Building in Des Moines, Iowa, Tuesday..."

"The demonstration was probably the largest farm outpouring since the 1930's."

"The rally was preceded last week by a rising swell of protest against the proposal to eliminate 2,000,000 farmers which was issued last month by the big business Committee for Economic Development...."

The Worker, September 2, 1962, p. 1.

"Who can lack sympathy for the farmers who dumped their catalogues at the doors of Sears, Roebuck and boycotted Ford because their representatives were on the committee that recommended the plowing under of 2,000,000 farmers?"

The Worker, September 16, 1962, p. 2.

V. COLONIALISM

- 1. The major capitalist and imperialist powers co-operate in their exploitation of the Afro-Asian countries.
- 2. African countries striving for their independence continue to be shackled by the evils of colonialism and imperialism, which the United States and Western Europe support.
- 3. The formation in the United Nations of an anticolonial, anti-imperialist majority composed of the newly liberated former colonial nations and the socialist countries is now a possibility.

SUPPORTING QUOTATIONS

1. Imperialist Countries Co-operate To Save Colonialism

"...There are the major capitalist and imperialist powers who formerly ruled the entire world. These nations have combined their efforts to resist any further change in the world. They co-operate to resist the advance of the working class. They co-operate to prevent the ending of colonialism.... there are the Asian and African blocs of nations who have combined their powers for ending colonialism and for world peace."

Claude Lightfoot, "Negro Nationalism and the Black Muslims," Political Affairs, July, 1962, p. 6.

"...all interests, American, British, Portuguese and Belgium's are tied to one common knot which in South Africa forms the 'solar plexus' of the colonialism of the second half of the 20th Century.

"One will understand in the light of these things the attitude taken by the stooge Tshombe, who has a hinterland much deeper than that of Union Miniere, from which he gets tens of millions of dollars. For the international monopolies Katanga is the advance guard in the war on African popular national liberation movements. This gives one also an insight into the material facilities that the imperialist powers have for collective action against the Congolese people's national interests."

The Worker, October 28, 1962, p. 8.

"The six West European Common Market countries are all rival industrial exporting countries, with no common economic interest except joint plunder of colonies or former colonial countries.

"Lenin said long ago that 'a United States of Europe under capitalism is tantamount to an agreement to divide up the colonies."

"Now, in the era of the downfall of colonialism, the Common Market represents the latest model for the neo-colonialist exploitation of the newly independent states of Africa."

R. Palme Dutt, "Britain and the Common Market," Political Affairs, October, 1962, p. 42.

"The European Common Market is in fact an expression of collective neo-colonialism...."

Moustapha Sarr, "Africa and the Common Market," Political Affairs,
November, 1962, p. 37.

2. Africa's Independence Stifled by Imperialists

"THE WEAKENING of the political position of Premier Cyrille Adoula in the Republic of the Congo has put the Kennedy Administration in the embarrassing place of having to criticize openly secessionist Moise Tshombe, head of Katanga province."

"...For months now Washington has been stalling on punitive action against Tshombe, because the monopolists of London, Brussells and Wall Street have disapproved."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, July 24, 1962, pp. 1, 2.

"Washington's machiavellian trickery in installing Adoula as premier of a handpicked regime last August in an outright effort to stifle the independence mood of the Congolese people and of the new nations of Africa and Asia. Adoula had pledged that he would bring Katanga province back into the Republic of the Congo and subordinate Moise Tshombe to the central government."

The Worker, August 19, 1962, p. 3.

"The reality of colonialism, which must be taken into account from the start, is a very heavy inheritance, * and this for several reasons: the advance of the West over the Arab and African world since the 16th century, the worsening of this situation due to 130 years of colonial exploitation and oppression, and finally by the ruins accumulated by the army of occupation during seven years of war. To this should be added the stranglehold of the French colonialists who, supported by the imperialists of Western Europe and the United States, are determined to stay on in our country."

* Underlined portion italicized in the original.

"The immense majority of the Algerian people have it to their advantage to turn socialist. How could it be otherwise when our people becomes aware of the great achievements of the USSR and those of other socialist countries, or when it compares the rhythym of growth in the countries that have followed socialism and those which have followed capitalism."

"For Algeria's Total Independence," (Program of the Communist Party of Algeria), Political Affairs, September, 1962, pp. 32, 37.

3. Colonialism on Way Out

"... Colonialism is on its way out. Can it be successfully argued that this could be possible without some basic and fundamental changes in the world relationship of forces?... This tremendous phenomenon is very much connected with the advent of socialist nations in the world.... When colonial peoples are in trouble with imperialism, Moscow becomes the Mecca. It is this new feature in world politics which accelerates the disintegration of world imperialism...."

Claude Lightfoot, "Negro Nationalism and the Black Muslims," Political Affairs, July, 1962, p. 18.

"... The sweeping advance of colonial liberation of which triumphant Algeria is now the latest example, has brought to the world scene a new group of nonaligned states. A progressive anti-imperialist majority in the United Nations is now a possibility..."

John Gollan, "New Developments in Great Britain," Political Affairs, August, 1962, pp. 43 - 44.

"THE MILLIONS of Indians, Negroes, white workers and peasants and others--products of the centuries old mixture of these racesare heart and soul with Cuba and for the speedy elimination of colonialism and the Alliance for Progress--Peace Corps style of neocolonialism."

The Worker, September 23, 1962, p. 8.

VI. LEGISLATIVE AND JUDICIAL AFFAIRS

- 1. The 87th Congress failed to enact social or civil rights legislation, although it approved heavy military expenditures and measures favoring big business.
- 2. Regardless of differences, all groups whose liberties are endangered by the House Committee on Un-American Activities should co-operate to abolish it.
- 3. The McCarran Act is an edict camouflaged as a law; and, while its immediate target is the Communist Party, it threatens the rights of all.
- 4. It would be a violation of the Bill of Rights to force communists, under the terms of the McCarran Act, to say that they are "foreign agents."
- 5. To defeat the McCarran Act, a massive campaign must be launched to test its constitutionality and effect its repeal.
- 6. Justice all too often moves slowly or blindly in protecting the rights of individuals.

SUPPORTING QUOTATIONS

1. 87th Congress Favored Military and Big Business

"AS THE FINAL session of the 87th Congress grinds to a close its record thus far is even worse than that of the 79th, which ex-President Truman labelled the 'do nothing' Congress. This session has thus far either failed to take up, or has defeated all proposed legislation that would benefit labor, the Negro people and the people generally. But it has not hesitated to vote to record peacetime funds for armaments and other cold war measures. It has shown an undeviating bias for Big Business."

"...The labor movement cannot advance anywhere, whether in Washington or in the state legislatures; whether on the legislative or economic fronts without coming to the support of the Negro people...

"... Congress can be compelled to enact civil rights legislation guaranteeing equal rights all along the line, and enforcement by the federal government."

The Worker, August 5, 1962, p. 3.

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"BIG BUSINESS sees in the politics of the right a lever by which it hopes to upset the social legislation of the 'last thirty years.'".

The Worker, September 9, 1962, p. 4.

"...a rundown of the work of the 87th Congress shows that almost all the meaningful bills on social legislation, such as medical aid for the aged and federal standards for unemployment insurance, were either killed or sidetracked; requests for military and other coldwar appropriations were overfulfilled; and business interests won substantial profit incentives and tax bonuses. On top of all this, Congress reflected the efforts of reactionaries to build up an anti-Cuba craze to the weirdest proportions."

"If the 88th Congress is to be better than the 87th, the labor movement will have to develop far greater vigor and pressure on the legislative front, come January....as the 87th proved, the 'great victory' of November, 1960, didn't win medical aid for the aged or any of the other goals the President so eloquently listed..."

The Worker, October 21, 1962, p. 3.

"The 87th Congress, as we have seen to our sorrow, did not come through with much for the mass of people.... But luscious tax favors to the corporations, more billions for profitable military orders and other help to business were enacted."

The Worker, November 18, 1962, p. 5.

2. House Un-American Activities Committee Must Be Abolished

"COMMUNISTS have well known differences with the Black Muslims...

"That, however, in no way prevents Communists, along with others of varying political opinions, from condemning unequivocally the threatened investigation of the Black Muslims by the House Un-American Committee."

"For all other opponents of the Un-American Committee, the true test of the struggle for civil rights is when we oppose injustice against those with whom we may strongly disagree."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, August 28, 1962, p. 4.

"...in relation to civil liberties, the peace movement has two major needs: (1) Remove the 'Devil' theory of Communism and the Soviet Union and (2) seek the abolition of repressive social legislation and un-Constitutional committees such as HUAC.*"

"Letters from Readers," Political Affairs, September, 1962, pp. 57 - 58.

* House Committee on Un-American Activities.

"The House Committee on Un-American Activities, Hearings in San Francisco, May* 1960 (Folkways (FD 5530)... compares poorly with Sounds of Protest, the record made by the Bay Area Students that does bring across the intensity and idealism of the national struggle to abolish HUAC."

Josh Dunson, "Off the Record," Mainstream, October, 1962, p. 64.

3. McCarran Act Is an Infamous Law

"...the McCarran Act in all its dangerous ramifications needs a lot of explaining to people. It is different from any law ever passed in our country—in fact it is not a law at all, but an edict masquerading as a law. It is a weapon in hands of enemies of free political expression, of labor, of the Negro people, of free speech and press. Its immediate target today is the Communist Party, as we know. But it does not stop there."

The Worker, September 9, 1962, p. 7.

"... A bill of attainder is a law which punishes a person for the guilt of others (as everybody knows, Justice Hugo Black has said the McCarran Act is a bill of attainder, and therefore unconstitutional); an ex post facto law makes an act a punishable crime although the act was not illegal when performed (this is one reason we object to "lists of subversive organizations," because people who join them when they are legal are later punished because they once belonged!)."

"...the McCarranite demand that alleged Communists register as something they aren't is both a bill of attainder and a denial of due process as well as a kind of legislative bearing of false witness."

The Worker, September 30, 1962, p. 8.

* Underlined portions italicized in the original.

"...unless all are ready to defend our rights* to hold and advocate our views, and unless they are willing to tell the truth at least about our views, to refute the McCarran Act lies, what happened in Nazi Germany is likely to be repeated here. Shortly after the Communists were excluded from their 100 seats in the Reichstag, labor unions, women's organizations and churches were outlawed and the horrible anti-Semitic Nuremberg laws were passed...."

Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, "The McCarran Act Today," Political Affairs, October, 1962, p. 16.

"...the Party has never had its 'day in court' on any of the charges in the McCarran Act's built-in verdict of guilt..."

The Worker, November 18, 1962, p. 6.

4. McCarran Act Destroys Bill of Rights

"...To agree to register under the terms of the McCarran Act is to subscribe to the lie that the Communist Party of the U.S.A. is an agent of a foreign power, pledged to overthrowing our Government by force and violence...."

Hall-Davis Defense Committee
"The Attorney General's Latest
Harassment," Political Affairs,
July, 1962, p. 2.

"The resolute stand of the Communist Party and its leadership was rooted in the conviction that the American people would not stand idly by and allow the Bill of Rights to be torn to shreds. It was based on a sound estimate that the people would not permit a return to the days of McCarthyism.

* Underlined portion italicized in the original.

It expressed an abiding confidence that the people would not accept the outlawing of a political party but would in ever-growing numbers rally to halt the use of the McCarran Act, finally wiping it off the statute books. It was based on the firm belief that the fight could be won."

James J. Tormey, "Toward Victory Over the McCarran Act," Political Affairs, August, 1962, p. 5.

"Registration under the McCarran Act is impossible, because it is automatically self-incriminating.* It means to register to the definition of Communist in the built-in verdict of guilt of the Act--as a foreign agent, engaged in conspiracy, treason, espionage, sabotage, violence and other crimes. This description is a Hitlerlike lie...."

"...To nullify the McCarran Act is the moral obligation of all who treasure the Bill of Rights."

Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, "The McCarran Act Today," Political Affairs, October, 1962, pp. 14, 17.

"For the first time in the history of our country, a political party has been brought into a criminal court and put on trial. This violates the Constitution of our country and denies the American people their right of political choice."

The Worker, December 16, 1962, p. 2.

* Underlined portion italicized in the original.

5. Program for Defeating the McCarran Act

"The question before us is: What must be done to defeat the McCarran Act?* There are two main approaches.

"First, there must be a growing mass movement to back up the legal struggle in the courts for testing the constitutionality of the Act and demanding freedom for Gus Hall and Ben Davis, as well as the quashing of the indictment against the Communist Party; second, we need a massive campaign—which would include a legislative struggle—geared to the 1962 elections, directed toward the repeal of the law by Congress."

"What kind of program of action would the Hall-Davis Defense Committee like to see emerge in the months ahead?"

"Around what key slogans should the work develop?

- "1. Free Hall and Davis. Quash the indictment against the Communist Party;
 - "2. Halt all proceedings under the McCarran Act;
- "3. Demand formation of a Civil Liberties Commission by the President along the lines of the present Civil Rights Commission.
 - "4. Repeal the McCarran Act.
- "5. Demand amnesty for all political prisoners such as Junius Scales, imprisoned under the Smith Act; Hy Lumer, Jim West and other Taft-Hartley victims; Morton Sobell, and others."

James J. Tormey, "Toward Victory Over the McCarran Act," <u>Political Affairs</u>, August, 1962, pp. 8, <u>12</u>, 13.

* Underlined portions italicized in the original.

6. Where Is Justice?

"In his letter to the Times, Soblen had said that the Courts are not interested in justice in his case, that 'while chasing ''Reds'' this country became blind to justice.' The plaintive plea of this desperate man trapped in the toils of a soul-less judicial maze—'where's justice?' 'where is fairness?'—echoes back without answer. And the whole sordid record of the justice Departments prosecution gives this case more and more the aspect of a legal lynching."

The Worker, July 3, 1962, p. 3.

"A BROOKLYN FEDERAL judge extended a ban on the strike of Pan-American's flight engineers for the second time, this time for almost a month, to August 1. The original injunction was slapped on the flight engineers on June 23, about two hours after their strike went into effect. Such high-handed court rule over the rights of unions was not surpassed since the old injunction-mill days prior to the enactment of the Norris-La Guardia Law that was supposed to bar such injunctions...."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, July 10, 1962, p. 2.

"Confronted with the first dreadful fruits of the revived Ku Klux Klan and White Citizens Councils' terror drive in the South against the Negro people's desegregation and right-to-register-and-vote drive, the Government has taken no positive step to safeguard the lives and secure the liberties of the Negro people."

The Worker, September 23, 1962, p. 3.

"...in a democracy, where the discussion of justice and equality is but a cover for moral nakedness and racism, a Human Rights Week is blasphemous demagogery...."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, December 11, 1962, p. 4.

VII. ARMED FORCES

- 1. The aggressiveness of United States military and foreign policies serves to increase international tensions.
- 2. The United States is pursuing a warlike policy which can lead to a nuclear war that would be catastrophic for mankind.
- 3. Since the United States was the first to hold nuclear weapons tests and the Soviet Union has conducted similar tests only in self-defense, it is the responsibility of the United States to cease such tests first.
- 4. The United States must halt its invasion plans and establish friendly relations with Cuba, for a military attack on Cuba would imperil peace and could plunge the world into a nuclear war.

SUPPORTING QUOTATIONS

1. United States Policy Heightens World Tensions

"GEN. MAXWELL TAYLOR, President Kennedy's new Pentagon chief, last Thursday heightened world tensions by reiterating the policy that Washington would use nuclear weapons first if that were necessary to defeat an enemy. This policy was first enunciated last spring by President Kennedy in a comment to a journalist, who is his close friend.

"That this is to be an established base of the present administration's military and foreign policy was made clear two weeks ago when the Defense Department declared bluntly that U.S. is not committed to refrain from the use of any weapon in any manner dictated by the circumstances of enemy attack."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, August 14, 1962, p. 2.

"More attention is being given to the overall aggressive plans of the U.S. military organization. 'Krasnaya Zvesda' (Red Star), the army newspaper, warns against the danger of a 'sudden attack' from the West. This newspaper points to the concentration of power in bases of Western Europe and the Far East.

"The U.S.,' says 'Red Star,' 'is striving to bring its armed forces as close as possible to the borders of the Soviet Union and other Socialist countries....In their opinion this will ensure definite strategic advantages for a sudden attack on the socialist states.'

"Even more emphasis is being given to President Kenedy's request to Congress for permission to call 150,000 reservists back to active military duty. 'This shows the great influence of the supporters of international tension in Washington,' says Igor Orlov, a Tass commentator."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, September 11, 1962, pp. 1, 7.

"The U.S. is using 'its armed forces and armaments', Tass said 'for interfering in the internal affairs of other states and for the realizing its aggressive designs.'"

"Not a day passes without statemen and military leaders as well as the press of the U.S. threatening that American submarines with polaris missiles which are prowling many seas and oceans could strike a nuclear blow at the Soviet Union and other peace-loving states."

The Worker, October 28, 1962, p. 10.

2. United States Following Path to Abyss

"The United States is steadily improving its nuclear arms and is even ready to use them first..., the Times said.

"As long as this is Administration policy we can expect other attempts to cover up the sabotage of the test ban talks.

"It would be foolish, possibly fatal, for the American people to let themselves be beguiled by the Administration's latest maneuver. Instead, the Administration should be confronted by a massive demand from the entire nation that it quit, once and for all, the path that leads to the abyss."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, August 7, 1962, p. 2.

"...the U.S. government, pursuing a war-like policy, has opposed disarmament and the elimination of nuclear weapons, while the Soviet government, pursuing an anti-war policy, has favored disarmament and sought the elimination of nuclear weapons."

Herbert Aptheker, "Ideas in Our Time," Political Affairs, September, 1962, p. 15.

"...THE U.S. government designated as 'offensive weapons' certain of the arms which had gone to Cuba precisely as a response to the U.S. threat to invade Cuba, and declared that their presence in Cuba justified the U.S. armed forces invading Cuba because they menaced the security of the U.S.

"The capitalist government of the U.S. announced in rapid fire a series of military moves on its part...

"This series of moves of the government of the U.S. had brought the world to the brink of the abyss of nuclear war...."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, November 13, 1962, p. 2.

"... With U.S. soldiers now being brainwashed and incited to fight blindly...the danger now exists that these men will recklessly pull the trigger on these tactical nuclear weapons without orders from anywhere and precipitate a world crisis from which there can be no turning back."

A CONTRACTOR OF THE STATE OF TH The Worker, November 18, 1962, p. 2.

3. United States To Blame for Nuclear Tests

"ANYONE WHO cherishes the sense of justice, any unbiased percon cannot but agree that since the United States was the first to start nuclear-weapon tests and has held many more of them, with its allies, than has the Soviet Union, the other side, the Soviet Union, which has invariably held its nuclear tests only in reply, has the right to be the last to hold nuclear tests in the world."

> The Worker, Midweek Edition, July 24, 1962, p. 7.

"THE ABORTED nuclear weapons tests last week over Johnston Island in the Pacific underscored the hypocrisy of the Kennedy administration's sanctimonious criticism of the SoViet's announcement of a new series of tests. The echoes of the Washington 'protest' had not even died out before the countdown began on a third U.S. high-altitude nuclear weapons test to disrupt the dangerout radiation belts around the earth once more. Before Kennedy had begun these tests, scinentists all over the world had urged him not to, warning of the peril to the entire planet."

> The Worker, Midweek Edition, July 31, 1962, p. 2.

"This strategy of terror, however, cannot logically remain one-sided. Is it reasonable to expect the Soviet Union to permit the U.S. to promote its strategy of terror unchallenged?..."

"BACK IN 1958, when the testing moratorium began, U.S. scientists admitted that they had the instruments to detect any kind of atomic blast. Last week, a member of President Kennedy's Disarmament Advisory Board revealed that machines in the U.S. and in the Soviet Union could monitor nuclear tests, and even stages in the disarment process. He emphasized that it was not even necessary for the two nations to have trust in each other.

"If this is so, what need is there to prolong the nuclear tests' stalemate."

The Worker, August 12, 1962, p. 3.

4. Hands Off Cuba!

"THE WARNING by the Soviet Union that a military attack on the Republic of Cuba could plunge the world into a horrible nuclear war, underscores the dangerous international situation into which the Kennedy administration's irresponsible foreign policy has pushed the world."

> The Worker, September 16, 1962, p. 1.

''GUS HALL, leading spokesman of the Communist Party, said yesterday in a press statement:''

"Now is the time to halt this dangerous brinkmanship. Let the people demand of the government that the naval vessels now ringing Cuba's territory be withdrawn and that the aircraft and potential invasion troops which are assembled at advanced staging areas be recalled. Now is the time to come forward with a peaceful solution to the issue of U.S.-Cuban relations."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, October 23, 1962, p. 1.

"...there is no mystery about the 'line.' That line is for peace; it is against United States intervention in the affairs of Cuba; it is for a re-establishment of diplomatic--and friendly--relations between the New Cuba and the United States. Communists are for this for no devious or complicated reason; Communists favor this because it will redound to the economic and political and moral benefit of our country and because it will stamp out one source of international tension, thus bringing nearer the termination of the Cold War."

"Since the days of Mussolini's assault upon Ethiopia and fascism's rape of Spain, there has not been so clear-cut a case of right and wrong as in the current threat by the United States government to destroy the New Cuba. He who values decency, desires peace, and cherishes the good name of the United States, will devote every ounce of his energy to preventing an American attack upon the Cuban people. Let your neighbors, your newspapers, your organizations, your Congressmen, your President know that in your heart is the cry: HANDS OFF CUBA!"

Herbert Aptheker, "Ideas in Our Time," Political Affairs, October, 1962, pp. 24, 25.

"The people must demand...no invasion and no intervention in the internal affairs of Cuba, and take measures to bring an end to the warprovocative massing of U.S. armed forces on its perimeter."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, November 20, 1962, p. 1.

VIII. MINORITY (NATIONAL AND RACIAL) GROUPS

- 1. The existence of white supremacy is a deplorable but obvious fact in this country.
- 2. Negroes and other minority groups deserve and demand their share of elective and appointive positions in government.
- 3. Oppression of the Negro shames our Nation, and racial equality can no longer be postponed.
- 4. Negroes struggling for their rights need and want the support of labor and white Americans.
- 5. The fight for Negro liberation will continue despite terror, brutality, and intimidation.
- 6. A resurgence of anti-Semitism is becoming a source of increasing indignation and concern in the United States.
- 7. The President possesses sufficient constitutional power, if he chooses to exercise it, to outlaw racism, which threatens the security of the country.

SUPPORTING QUOTATIONS

1. Myth of White Superiority Perpetuated

"MISSISSIPPI, Georgia, Alabama, Texas and other Southern states through open white supremacist governments based on violence and terror, extract maximum profits from black labor. The profits from this wholesale robbery of a people are divided between the monopolies who behind the scene control the situation, and the racists who operate the machinery of government for them."

"Police brutality against Negro Americans is rampant. There are obvious reasons. It is resorted to in an attempt to curb struggles that might go beyond the limits prescribed by the ruling class, to prevent social mingling between the races and to degrade the Negro...."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, July 10, 1962, p. 4.

"The state has become an accomplice to the political crimes against Negro and other colored citizens, visitors, and guests. It is past time to change the situation. Who can regard this failure other than a green light to terrorists?"

"Peace and an end to racism, white supremacy, and terror are inseparably related. White supremacy, the myths of white superiority, are on their way out with colonialism...."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, August 28, 1962, pp. 4, 6.

"... The majority of all Negroes are still consigned to the lower layer of the working class, as the 'hewers of wood and haulers of water' for the white owners of America."

The Worker, September 30, 1962, p. 5.

2. Minority Groups Seeking Government Posts

"A fight should be relentlessly waged to get a Negro candidate for the U.S. Senate."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, July 10, 1962, p. 6.

"Negro Americans take justifiable pride in the career of Dr. Robert Weaver, the Administrator of the Housing and Home Finance Agency in Washington...there is no more capable man in Washington than Dr. Weaver."

The Worker, July 22, 1962, p. 3.

"..., Negro citizens and other minority groups—the Puerto Ricans and Mexican—Americans—are making strenuous efforts to break through the barriers of racial discrimination on the electoral front."

"...Now minority groups are working as never before to win places in the Government...."

"...Republicans and Democrats have shared the power of state since the Emancipation Proclamation of a century ago. Yet, at no level, Federal, state, or city, have profound improvements been made in the political or social status of colored Americans."

The Worker, Midweek Edition,

August 28, 1962, pp. 4, 6.

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"Henry Winston's* first stop during his tour of the people's democracies was in Hungary..."

"One of the high points of Winston's visit was his meeting at the Party Academy....

* A member of the Communist Party, USA, who went to the Soviet Union in September, 1961.

"The director of the academy told the gathering, 'many of you have wondered where the African people winning their independence would get the leaders to guarantee their newly won freedom. In Comrade Winston you see a glowing example of the kind of man the Negro people have produced and who can measure up to any white man anywhere in their ability to lead and govern.'"

The Worker, Midweek Edition, November 13, 1962, p. 4.

3. Negroes Press for Full Equality Now

"...the President must heed the demand of the Negro people, which has risen to a mighty roar, to immediately issue appropriate executive orders abolishing segregation in housing, discrimination in employment, disfranchisement in suffrage rights, and for the nullification of all laws and practices which perpetuate segregation and discrimination against the Negro people as American citizens."

The Worker, July 29, 1962, p. 3.

"Particularly thrilling was the sight of the Negro teenagers kneeling and praying on the steps of the Albany library. They were massed there to break down, through prayer, the doors of the library, and to acquire the knowledge that will give them the equal opportunity, promised in the Constitution, to make their own fortunes. They no longer rely on gradualist fortune-tellers."

The Worker, August 19, 1962, p. 7. "...the atrocious attacks upon Negro citizens, now centering in Albany, Georgia,...is shaming our country before all mankind...."*

"End the Terror in Albany, Ga.!"
Political Affairs, September, 1962, p. 1.

"Struggles like those of the Negro people in Albany, Ga., Haywood and Fayette counties, Tennessee, or the heroism of a James Meredith, reflect the new mood of the Negro people—and their pressure for full equality, for freedom now. We also saw it dramatically last week in the hearings of the House Labor Committee chaired by Rep. A. Clayton Powell where a parade of Negro acters and other performers raised the banner of the fight for an end of discrimination in the performing arts and for presentation of the image of America as it is and not as a 'white America.'

"We also see it in the ranks of the 1,500,000 Negro workers in the trade unions of America who are dissatisfied and angered because the trade union movement, that should be in the forefront of this 'civil rights revolution,' is far short of reflecting the new level of the struggle..."

> The Worker, November 11, 1962, p. 12.

4. Struggle Needs Solidarity Action, Not Side-Line Sympathy

"...militant mass action of the Negro citizens of Albany has set a new standard in the surging struggle of the Negro people for the full measure of their rights as free and equal citizens in this. 99th year since these rights were formally proclaimed. It remains for labor and white Americans everywhere with a sense of justice to develop solidarity actions with their Negro brothers and sisters..."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, July 31, 1962, p. 2.

* Underlined portion italicized in the original.

"...a bi-racial group of 103 Eastern Seaboard Protestant, Jewish and Catholic ministers...decided to march in waves on Albany after failing earlier in their bid to see the President in Washington.

"The crusading ministers told the embattled Negroes that they were ready to go to jail in support of their fight in Albany, because it had now become the 'focal point of the civil rights struggle."

The Worker, August 12, 1962, p. 1.

"...time and experience have already proven that unless the Constitution is upheld, in Georgia, Mississippi, South Carolina and points south, for the Negro, it will be upheld for no one elsewhere in the country. And this necessitates activity and not passive side-line sympathy."

"The struggle of the Negro people in Albany, it appears, is entering a new and second stage, the stage in which so-called 'outside' support must spell the difference between the present stalemate and victory."

"If the great and united power of the 20 million Afro-Americans is released--irrespective of the different philosophical currents among them--in direct support of the Albany struggle, and in sharp demands for practical Presidential intervention in the South--something's got to give..."

The Worker, September 2, 1962, p. 3.

5. Fight for Equality Goes On

"The main forces of the Southern Negro Peoples movement—vanguard of the national Negro liberation movement—are concentrated in Albany seeking a break—through in the enforcement of the Constitution and in implementing the recent antisegregation decisions of the Supreme Court, in the teeth of brutality, terror and intimidation."

"... with all their terror and brutality, official and unofficial including the savage assault upon a pregnant Negro woman, the brutal beating of a Negro attorney, the illegal imprisonment and maltreatment of hundreds of political prisoners—the authorities have not been able to smash the Negro movement."

dynamite open the whole path toward full citizenship now. Should they lose, the loss is America's and correspondingly a victory for Dixiecrat-ultra-right forces who are the main enemies of peace, democracy and the general welfare...."

The Worker, August 19, 1962, pp. 3, 11.

"The Negro people in Albany are heroically, as well as peacefully, upholding the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. Their stubborn refusal to be downed by terror, whether from the Klan or from an unlawful court injunction, is in the finest American tradition of democratic people's struggle. On their banner rests the fate of labor and the whole American people..."

"End the Terror in Albany, Ga. !"
Political Affairs,
September, 1962, p. 2.

"The adverse postwar turn contains a political lesson. An economy militarized for reactionary international ends is an unfavorable environment for internal democratic progress. Peace and civil rights will have to be won more or less simultaneously."

The Worker, October 7, 1962, p. 5.

6. Anti-Semitism Gaining

"THE RESURGENCE of neo-Nazi violence against Jews in several countries of Latin America is beginning to worry many circles there."

"Observers note that this sudden open resurgence of Nazi outrages occurs at a time when the United States is showing special friendship for Franco, when in the United States the ultra-Right groups are freely spreading anti-Semitic doctrines, and, in addition, when in the Pentagon section of official Washington a mood of cold war anti-Sovietism is intensifying."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, July 31, 1962, p. 3.

"THE NEW WAVE of Nazi hooliganism and anti-semitism that broke out after the execution of Adolph Eichman had its counterpart in the U.S.

"The anti-semitic propaganda and incitement is, however, not limited to such openly Nazi groups as Rockwell's Nazi Party and the American Nationalist Party. This is shown by a report of a mass rally organized by the Christian Anti-Communist Crusade, led by Dr. Fred Schwarz in Cleveland recently."

"Jewish leaders in Cleveland are indignant about these developments and are looking to Washington for an explanation and action. All Americans who cherish peace and democracy ought to express their concern and indignation and demand that President Kennedy and the Attorney General act against such incitements."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, July 31, 1962, p. 4.

7. President Has Power To Destroy Racism

"THE FOLLOWING statement on the terror in Albany, Ga., was issued by the Communist Party:"

"Protest to President Kennedy and Attorney General Kennedy. Make these demands:

- "1. End the terror and violence against the Negro people of Albany. Prosecute the Georgia officials and racist organizations responsible for violations of the Constitution.
- "2. Immediate release of all Albany political prisoners and indemnification for their arrests.
- "3. Immediate enforcement of the Thirteenth, Fourteenth, and Fifteenth Amendments in Albany and all over the South.
- "'4. President Kennedy should issue immediately an executive order against discrimination and segregation in housing.
- "5. President Kennedy should issue an executive order outlawing and barring all Jim-Crow, discriminatory, and segregation laws and practices as of Jan. 1, 1863, one hundred years after the Emancipation Proclamation.'"

The Worker, Midweek Edition, July 31, 1962, p. 4.

"Throughout the country, the hucksters of racial hate and the persecutors of the Negro people are being emboldened by the failure of President Kennedy to take firm executive measures, to issue an executive order that would outlaw all jimcrowism."

The Worker, September 9, 1962, p. 3.

"... the Ku Klux Klan ought to be outlawed, its leaders prosecuted along with the Georgia officials who use their positions to deny Negroes their Constitutional rights. The imprisoned Negroes in Albany should be freed and compensation should be made for the destruction of the Negro churches and other property. Whatever measures necessary to accomplish these lawful and desirable ends, the President has full power to use by virtue of the Bill of Rights and the U.S. Constitution."

The Worker, September 30, 1962, p. 5.

"Cuba has outlawed jim-crow and segregation....

"...our President...cannot find time to organize a holy crusade against racism in America but...can marshall a half million men to destroy a government which made racism a major point of attack from its inception."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, November 13, 1962, p. 3.

IX. EDUCATION

- 1. The American educational system needs renovation, for unless education is made more democratic, dropouts will continue to deprive the Nation of talented youngsters.
- 2. At the present rate of progress toward desegregation in education, racial equality in American schools will not be attained before the year 2230.
- 3. Many of the best teachers in the United States have been forced out of the teaching profession as victims of the McCarthyite hysteria; in Communist China, by contrast, teachers are honored and rewarded.
- Institutions of higher learning in this country are being heavily subsidized by Federal funds for the express purpose of developing military projects.

SUPPORTING QUOTATIONS

1. American Education Needs Overhauling

"Unless there is a real overhaul in our educational system, the drop outs will continue to deprive our nation of lost talents."

The Worker, July 1, 1962, p. 16.

"...Let's face it, American education and publishing are as 'democratic' as Standard Oil Corporation..."

Leslie Woolf Hedley, "The Poetry of John Beecher," Mainstream, September, 1962, p. 55.

"Educational standards, particularly in working class areas, have dropped...."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, October 2, 1962, p. 4.

2. <u>Creeping Pace of Desegregation</u>

"SCHOOLS in the South last week began their new terms with no sign that the new season will witness any change in the creeping pace of desegregation that has from the first met the U.S. Supreme Court decision of 1954."

The Worker, September 9, 1962, p. 2.

"IN 1950 the average adult white had completed 9.7 years of school, the average non-white 6.9 years. By 1960 these figures were 10.9 and 8.2 years respectively. The gap declined from 2.8 years to 2.7 years in the decade. At this pace, equality in education will be attained by the year 2230."

The Worker, September 23, 1962, p. 5.

3. Status of Teachers

"Schoolteachers Are Treasured in China"

"Devotion to her profession, deep love of the children and excellent teaching methods have won Kuan Chi the honored title of advanced worker several years running."

"Teachers are entitled to free medical care..."

"Child care facilities...

"A pension of 40 to 70 percent of their salaries...

"A teachers rest home...in the beautiful western hills of Peking..."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, September 11, 1962, pp. 3, 6.

"Many of the best teachers, some outstanding in the field of science and mathematics, were driven out of the school system as a result of the McCarthyite hysteria."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, September 18, 1962, p. 8.

"The...cold war gave birth to McCarthyism which spread a cloak of fear over the minds of our students and teachers, and drove hundreds of the best teachers out of the schools."

The Worker, December 9, 1962, p. 7.

4. Universities, Adjuncts of Cold War

"Like most other institutions of higher learning, the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia is heavily subsidized by the Armed Forces. This militarization is in the form of big grants for conducting scientific investigations that will improve the means of mass slaughter in the current Cold War...."

"The income for the university from these military sources has tended to grow with the huge increases in the national budget connected with the waging of the Cold War. The appropriations also reflect the increasing importance of Philadelphia as a strategic center of militarism in our country."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, August 21, 1962, p. 2.

"... at the annual congress of the National Student Association....

"The Liberal Study Circle...focused on the aims of higher education. Tom Hayden, Students for Democratic Society Chairman, singled out the Cold War as creating the main problems of higher education.

Universities ask, 'What can we do to get more defense contracts?' he said. As a result 'they were not independent and critical.' There is 'an enormous stamping of secrecy on university projects,' according to Hayden. He tied the Cold War in with racism and pointed out that Dixiecrat power in Congress over such matters as Federal aid to education resulted from Cold War deals. Violations of academic freedom were also cited, the non-objective approach of Marxism, Hayden saw as another result."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, August 28, 1962, p. 3,

X. CULTURE, SCIENCE, AND RELIGION

- 1. So-called culture in the United States is the product of crass commercialism.
- 2. It is the lot of the artist in a capitalist country to be maligned or discriminated against and to be prevented from fulfilling individual artistic aspirations and goals.
- 3. Unhampered by the outmoded concepts and practices of private enterprise, the Soviet Union is setting the pace in science and progress.
- 4. If war can be avoided, mankind will benefit immeasurably from the fruits of socialist achievements in many fields, particularly in science.
- 5. Tradition and current trends and events belie the claim that the United States is a Christian Nation.

SUPPORTING QUOTATIONS

1. Distorted Values

"... if the former residents of the area in the West 60's where the Lincoln Center now stands are so scattered and so denuded of money because of the high rents they now must pay, that they cannot buy tickets, they will at any rate see on their TV screens the N.Y.... Philharmonic Hall, and join with varying degrees of enthusiasm in the truimphal chords celebrating the slum clearance that cleared them out. "

"... by the steel broom of progress,...the tenants of the West 60's were cleared away to make room for Art with a skyscraper A?"

The Worker, September 16, 1962, p. 7. "MANY are the factors that push TV culture steadily down into the valley of despond...."

"But the main factor remains the clutching, itching hand of the advertiser..."

"... at present, in the U.S., the hawkers... have their tentacles on our TV sets and on the throats of TV writers, and to all appeals, by the FCC* or by the viewers and writers, they act like the hawk in the LaFontaine fable who caught a nightingale. Let me go, pleaded the nightingale, and I will sing for you the sweetest of my songs. But the hawk answered, 'The stomach has no ears,' and ate the nightingale."

Ben Levine, "TV: The Hawk and the Nightingale," Mainstream, September, 1962, pp. 36, 37.

"Our human needs in literature and life are for honesty, intellectual stimulation, the responsible language of progressive imagination, clarification of the changing human situation, while a growing list of magazines dispense obscurantism, incoherence, specious jargon, inversion—some in the name of revolt.... Perhaps, after all, we're still in the stages of pre-literature, and someday soon, when genuine Resistance and Underground Movements are ignited a literature for and by the people will become reality...."

"Little Magazines in America: A Symposium," <u>Mainstream</u>, November, 1962, pp. 29 - 30.

* Federal Communications Commission.

2. Artists Suppressed

"...GEORGE CUKOR, the firm director,...

"...declared Hollywood created Marilyn Monroe, it didn't kill her.

"The capitalist fancies himself a creator when he transforms a human being into a commodity."

"...Izvestia, the Soviet newspaper, after reporting that Miss Monroe was an actress whose artistic aspirations had been 'stifled and made fun of,' declared, 'this tragedy pronounced a sentence of death on a monster that makes a travesty of art, virtue, truth and nature. The name of this monster is Hollywood.'"

> The Worker, August 26, 1962, p. 7.

"... In one of many shameful episodes presided over by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, Hanns Eisler was commanded to appear before the Inquisition.... And so a deportation order was issued...."

"...in East Germany...Hanns Eisler found himself in a society eager to see him move further along the lines he had announced, 'Music must work for the enlightment of the consciousness of the most advanced class, the working class, and attempt to influence the practical actions of the listeners.'... The time will come when we will be properly grateful for what Hanns Eisler and others like him have done for us and for a peaceful world."

The Worker, September 23, 1962, pp. 7, 8. "REPRESENTATIVES of unions in the performing arts gave the House Labor Committee chaired by Rep. A. Clayton Powell assurance of a greater awareness in their ranks of discrimination in the field and the need to combat it....

"... witnesses, including Negro actors, ... underscored with more of their own agonizing experiences the tragic fact that there is little room for the Negro performer in American life because the 'image of America is presented as white.'"

The Worker, Midweek Edition, November 6, 1962, p. 1.

3. Soviets Ahead in Science and Progress

"... The launching of the Vostok ships serves the further conquest by man of boundless expanses of the universe. It proves once again the peaceful aims the Soviet Union pursues in exploring outer space."

The Worker, August 19, 1962, p. 10.

- "... How antiquated our economics, politics and thinking have become, in the face of the giant strides of science, and the new pace of progress set by the fast-growing socialist influence in the world!
- "...Our captains of industry and leaders of science and technology may be crying over being so badly beaten by the USSR on the space front, but they are not slow in turning America's resources to profit."

The Worker, August 26, 1962, p. 5.

"...the great social problems, including public health, can no longer be solved by horse-and buggy 'private enterprise.' The modern world

has grown too huge and too dangerous to be handled by the petty shopkeeper mind, even less, by the monopolist mind, so inflated with imperial power and out of business control."

"Soviet science has many... contributions to make to the welfare of the American people, if we could only break down the Dollar Curtain we have raised around ourselves."

The Worker, October 14, 1962, pp. 5, 8.

4. Happiness Depends on Peace and Socialism

"Soviet scientists are predicting aa wonderful future for mankind if war is kept out of the world in the atomic age. An amazing quantity of needful goods will come with the development of immense new sources of electrical power. Cancer will be vanquished. Life will be prolonged. Culture will become universal. And humanity will unravel the secrets of the universe and make use of the planets."

"These predictions... are made by world-renowned Academicians like Professor Nicolai Semenov..."

"The secret of abundance, the scientist emphasized, is electricity and Socialist power.

"Only now, 'he said, 'is the greatness of Lenin's definition becoming clear: Communism is Soviet power plus electrification.'..."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, October 2, 1962, p. 4.

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"Many Americans understand that the Soviet achievements, in their economy, in science in the arts and education, in advancing the welfare of their citizens, are due to the socialist society which they established. In such a society there is free rein for the expansion of the forces of production, all the benefits of the people's labor accrue to the people; exploitation of man by man has been abolished. It is a society devoted to creating the conditions for the fulfillment of all man's needs—economic, social, cultural and spiritual as envisioned in its historic program for building communism."

The Worker, November 4, 1962, p. 3.

"... What importance has an individual in a society where money-making for its own sake is considered the highest of virtues, and profit-earning is accepted as a justification for any form of behavior? Obviously under such an ethical system human beings can only become another commodity...."

Paul Phillips, "A Note on E. E. Cummings,"
Mainstream, November, 1962, p. 24.

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5. Status of Religion in United States

"THE SUPREME COURT...

"For the first time. has ruled categorically on the constitutional question of the relation of the state to religion.

"By declaring that the state had no right to issue or compose a prayer for use in the public schools, the court was finally calling a halt to the mainly conservatives who have been attempting to use the state for imposing their religion on the entire people."

"...James Madison, the father of the Constitution...."

"... gives the lie to those who claim that the U.S. is a Christian nation..."

The Worker, July 1, 1962, pp. 1, 15.

"IT IS WORTHWHILE recalling that atheism has always been a trend in American thought and tradition. . . .

"... most of the founding fathers either did not believe in a personal God or professed pantheism or deism, shamefaced fronts for atheism..."

The Worker, September 16, 1962, p. 8.

"... With Gargarin, Titov, Glenn, Sheppard, Nikolayev and Popovich going to the very spot where St. Peter's door was supposed to be, (and finding no door), the missionaries' promise to all those who humbly submit on earth to the exploitation of the fair-haired men from the North, does not have the hold it used to have in the old days."

The Worker, September 23, 1962, p. 8.

XI. WOMEN

- 1. Women, being pacifists by nature, strive to improve relations between the United States and the Soviet Union.
- 2. The capitalist system degrades women, but in socialist nations, such as Communist China, women enjoy equality and respect.

SUPPORTING QUOTATIONS

1. Women Strive for Peace

 $^{\prime\prime}.$. . at the womens panel meeting of the World Disarmament Conference. $^{\prime\prime}$

"Every speaker stressed the common interests of the women in the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. and the need for constantly broadening contacts between women in the two countries..."

"Great tribute was paid to the U.S. women's peace efforts.....

The Worker, July 29, 1962, p. 6.

"... women are pacifists by nature, standing in the way of war...."

Y. Hoshino, "Defending Japan's Peace Constitution," Political Affairs, July, 1962, p. 46.

2. Equality of Women in Socialist Nations

"And God created woman, it says in Genesis. But it took the capitalist system to turn woman into 'a piece of meat.'"

"... Hollywood and its 'star system' is based on the selling of personalities, of 'luminous qualities' and for this type of merchandising it is not necessary to act. In fact acting can get in the way."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, August 21, 1962, p. 5.

"GROWING NUMBERS of women are working on a par with men in practically every department of China's expanding railway network, except in jobs requiring heavy physical labor."

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The Worker, August 26, 1962, p. 8.

"One in every five researchers in the Chinese Academy of Sciences is a woman. Women work in every institute of scientific research, from botany to atomic energy."

"Not only are experienced women scientists who have an established reputation in research work enjoying respect in China today. Young students of science are given every encouragement and help...."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, August 28, 1962, p. 3.

XII. YOUTH

- 1. Despite opposition in this country to the Eighth World Youth Festival in Helsinki, Finland, the majority of the American delegation supported it. This mingling with youth from socialist countries is a step toward ending the cold war.
- 2. Youth must intensify its efforts for peace to bring about the end of the cold war, which is the chief immediate cause of all youth's problems.
- 3. Youth is increasing its participation in the vital affairs of the Nation and should demand and be given the right to vote.
- 4. Communists and the younger generation are drawing closer together, because they have similar objectives.
- 5. The Soviet Union has produced a generation of selfless and dedicated youth unmatched by any capitalist country.

SUPPORTING QUOTATIONS

1. Eighth World Youth Festival

"THOUSANDS of students and working youth from 117 countries are meeting in Helsinki at the Eighth World Youth Festival this week.

"When the Festival opened on Monday, July 30, more than 10,000 youth, chanting 'Peace and Friendship,' marched through Helsinki streets for some two hours..."

"The popularity and increasing success of these festivals—devoted to peace and friendship among nations and strongly supporting disarmament and an end to atomic testing—have disturbed imperialist circles. The United States state department particularly has openly propagandized against the Helsinki festival and attempted either to dissuade delegates from going or to 'brief' them on the stand they should take....'

The Worker, August 5, 1962, p. 2. "LETTERS COMING from the Eighth World Youth Festival just concluded in Helsinki, Finland, at which 18,000 youth from 142 countries participated, tell what happened there..."

"The U.S. delegation made a statement which indicated that the vast majority of our youth there were behind the festival..."

"U.S. newspapers and wire services have emphasized only the hooliganism displayed by youth on the streets of Helsinki. Such hooliganism was inspired mainly by American and West German 'tourists' who set up a table outside the stadium and gave whiskey to passersby who said they were opposed to the festival."

The Worker, August 12, 1962, p. 3.

"The 8th Festival in Helsinki was the most representative of diverse political trends and backgrounds since the start of the Cold War...."

"... Leaders of many of the country's major liberal student organizations were there. Such participation represents the first major contact with youth from socialist countries and the beginning of the end of the Cold War on the youth level."

Daniel Rubin, "Youth and America's Future," Political Affairs, October, 1962, p. 1.

2. Youth Fights for Peace

"... The Cold War robs two years from the lives of millions of youth...."

The Worker, Midweek Edition, October 2, 1962, p. 7.